

REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 5-7 and 9-20 are pending. By the present amendment, claims 2, 3, 4 and 8 have been canceled without prejudice, claims 1, 9 and 11-19 have been amended, and new claim 20 has been added. Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 3, allowable claim 9 has been rewritten in independent form, allowable claim 17 has been rewritten in independent form, allowable claim 19 has been rewritten in independent form and allowable claim 4 has been rewritten in independent form as new claim 20.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 3, 4, 9, 10, 17 and 19 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Without acquiescing in any of the prior art rejections, and without accepting what has been "Officially Noticed," claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of canceled claims 2 and 3, claim 9 has been rewritten in independent form (and claims 11-16 have been amended to depend from allowable claim 9), claims 17 and 19 have been rewritten in independent form and allowable claim 4 has been written in independent form as new claim 20. Accordingly, all of the prior art rejections are moot, and all pending claims are allowable over the prior art. Accordingly, no further comment will be made with respect thereto.

The rejection of claims 12 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph is respectfully traversed. Without acquiescing in the rejection, claims 12 and 18 have been amended. Accordingly, the rejection is overcome, and reconsideration and withdrawal thereof are respectfully requested.

SUZUKI et al
Serial No. 10/003,110

Without acquiescing in the prior art rejections, all prior art rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103 are moot in view of the foregoing amendments to the claims. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

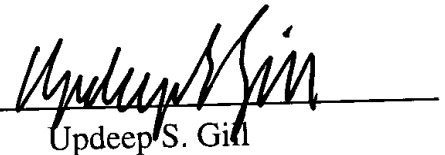
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the entire application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner deem that further issues require resolution prior to allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney of record at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.

By: _____



Updeep S. Gill
Reg. No. 37,334

USG:dbp
1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor
Arlington, VA 22201-4714
Telephone: (703) 816-4000
Facsimile: (703) 816-4100

MARKED-UP VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A hologram screen comprising:
a hologram film [having the function of] for diffracting light projected from
a projector; and
a first transparent member and a second transparent member which together
sandwich the hologram film [so as] to cover the [same] hologram film from a front
surface and a back surface thereof;
wherein at least one of said first transparent member and second transparent
member is [made] replaceable, said first and second transparent members being fixed to
each other with screws, each of said screws penetrating a through-hole provided in one of
said first and second transparent members and is threaded into a sprue or a threaded hole
provided in the other of said first and second transparent members, thereby fixing said
first transparent member and second transparent members to each other.
9. (Amended) A hologram screen comprising:
a hologram film for diffracting light projected from a projector [A
hologram screen according to claim 8, wherein] said hologram film [comprises]
comprising a hologram layer having the function of diffracting the light projected from
the projector and a PET layer adhered to at least one of the surfaces of the hologram layer
and having a hard coat applied thereto[.]; and
a first transparent member and a second transparent member which together
sandwich the hologram film to cover the hologram film from a front surface and a back
surface thereof;

wherein at least one of said first transparent member and second transparent member is replaceable, wherein said anti-sticking agent is interposed between said PET layer and at least one of said first transparent member and second transparent member.

11. (Amended) A hologram screen according to claim [8] 9, wherein said anti-sticking agent is in the shape of spheres, cylinders or scales.
12. (Amended) A hologram screen according to claim [8] 9, wherein said anti-sticking agent is made of inorganic material containing, as a principal component, silicon dioxide, borosilicate glass, or aluminum oxide, or a plastic material containing, as a principal component, divinylbenzene, or methyl ester methacrylate, or a starch sugar [such as] comprising at least one of grape sugar[,] or cane sugar [or the like].
13. (Amended) A hologram screen according to claim [8] 9, wherein said anti-sticking agent is made in the form of powder and is applied using a brush to said first transparent member or second transparent member, or to said hologram film.
14. (Amended) A hologram screen according to claim [8] 9, wherein said anti-sticking agent is made in the form of aqueous suspension and is applied by means of spray coating to said first transparent member or second transparent member, or to said hologram film.

15. (Amended) A hologram screen according to claim [8] 9, wherein said anti-sticking agent is made in the form of aqueous suspension and is applied by means of spin coating to said first transparent member or second transparent member, or to said hologram film.

16. (Amended) A hologram screen according to claim [8] 9, wherein said anti-sticking agent is made in the form of alcoholic suspension and is applied by means of spin coating to said first transparent member or second transparent member, or to said hologram film.

17. (Amended) A hologram screen comprising:
a hologram film for diffracting light projected from a projector; and
a first transparent member and a second transparent member which together
sandwich the hologram film to cover the hologram film from a front surface and a back
surface thereof;

wherein at least one of said first transparent member and second transparent
member is replaceable and [A hologram screen according to claim 1, wherein] a sealant is uniformly interposed in order to prevent partial sticking both between said hologram film and said first transparent member and between said hologram film and said second transparent member.

18. (Amended) A hologram screen according to claim 17, wherein said sealant is an alcohol [having high boiling point such as] selected from the group consisting of: glycerol, trethanolamine, or ethylene glycol.

19. (Amended) A hologram screen comprising:
a hologram film for diffracting light projected from a projector; and
a first transparent member and a second transparent member which together sandwich the hologram film to cover the hologram film from a front surface and a back surface thereof;
wherein at least one of said first transparent member and second transparent member is replaceable and [A hologram screen according to claim 1, wherein] a release agent is coated on the entire front and back surfaces of said hologram film and an adhesive is provided via the release agent, and wherein the first transparent member and the second transparent member that are larger than said hologram film are applied on said front and back surfaces of said hologram film such that the first transparent member and second transparent member are adhered to each other with an adhesive at a peripheral portion thereof that is outside of the circumference of said hologram film.